

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

A communication apparatus is provided that can urge a person ~~who is not at home such as, for example,~~ such as a child, to come back home ~~when at a scheduled time.~~ scheduled coming home time comes and The communication apparatus can also inform another person, such as a parent of the child, about ~~a notification of the time at which that the child arrives home.~~ ~~child comes home, for example, to the parent.~~

~~The communication apparatus includes first communication means which communicates with an electronic key device in which at least electronic key information is stored, and door lock control means which compares the electronic key information received and electronic key information stored in a storage section with each other and controls a lock apparatus for a door based on the result of the comparison. The communication apparatus further includes user recognition means which recognizes a user of the electronic key device based on the information received from the electronic key device through the first communication means. Sender control means controls based on the result of the recognition by the user recognition means so that information regarding passing in/out of the user of the electronic key device is transmitted to a notification destination determined in advance through second communication means.~~

Please amend page 3, line 9, as follows:

Disclosure Brief Summary of the Invention

Please amend page 11, line 9, as follows:

~~Best Mode for Carrying out~~ Detailed Description of the Invention